

The Alexandria Gazette

FRIDAY EVENING, SEPT. 22.

There should be a united effort to prevent the fulfilment of the prediction that "Alexandria will be a mere way station on the route to Baltimore." We have heavy odds to contend against, we know, in the preponderating influence of Baltimore, in the competition for trade, but we should be glad to see such arrangements made, if possible, as would enable Alexa., to hold her own, after the sacrifices made by her in behalf of the construction of the lines of R. R., leading to this place. The interests of the Roads, as Stock companies, are, of course, to be regarded—but there are Alexandria interests, also, which should be guarded and protected. It is natural that the people here should not desire to see, what they contributed largely to build, turn out, at last, as likely to enure, principally, to the benefit of other cities.

We are informed that the President of the Alexandria Canal is now, and has been, for a long time past, making efforts to secure to the Company the use of the Aqueduct and Canal, and earnestly striving to effect the re-opening of the Coal trade. The whole matter is under the control of Quarter Master General Meigs, who says that the bed of the Aqueduct is still necessary for government purposes.

VIRGINIA ITEMS.

The citizens of Norfolk are intending to introduce water into the city, and a charter for the purpose was granted by the State Legislature some years ago, and it is to be submitted to the vote of the people in a few days to ratify the act. This improvement will soon be followed by the erection of large flouring mills, steam breweries and other enterprises of the capitalists now flocking there and encouraged by the Virginians.

The University of Virginia will soon resume instructions. For the approaching session, thirty-four indigent, meritorious young men—one from each Senatorial district—will be admitted without payment of matriculation and library, tuition fees, or rents. The applicant must be over seventeen years of age, of irreproachable moral character, and far enough advanced to profit by the instruction given. He will be required to give a written pledge to teach school in Virginia for two years after leaving college. The expenses for the session will be about two hundred and thirty-five dollars, one hundred dollars of which will be required upon entering, and the balance between that time and the 1st of April next.

A meeting was held at Fredericksburg last Saturday by the officers, soldiers, and loyal citizens for the purpose of devising measures for the erection of a suitable monument on that battle-field. Arrangements were made for holding a mass meeting on the field on the 12th of October next, for the purpose of organizing a Monument Association.

A tract of land near Areola, in Loudoun county, formerly owned by Dr. Wicks, containing two hundred acres, was disposed of a few days ago to a gentleman from Washington city, for \$35 per acre, or \$7,000. This land was sold a few years ago for \$7.50 per acre.

The Richmond Republic, speaking of the O. & A. R. R. says that "in connection with the Virginia Central railroad, two trains run daily between Richmond, Lynchburg, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York, making the trips in a very short time. Both roads are being put in first-rate order, and elegant cars are used for the accommodation of passengers. On this line the United States through mail and Adams' Express travel; and from the energy displayed by Superintendent Whitcomb, of the Central, and W. H. McCafferty, of the Orange and Alexandria, we venture the assertion that this line will increase in popularity as well as general usefulness to the State and the country. Mr. W. B. Richards, Jr., the deservedly popular agent of the Orange road has his office in Richmond."

Dr. John R. Woods of Albemarle county, has withdrawn his name as a candidate for Congress. He was opposed to Secession, but cannot take the Congressional test oath.

The Petersburg Express informs us that Mr. Chandler, the U. S. District Attorney, and candidate for Congress in a speech made at Dinwiddie Court House recently, remarked that "all confiscation is at an end." He stated that he had received orders to suspend all proceedings under the law. "This," continues the Express, "is pleasing intelligence to the Southern people."

LETTER FROM PRESIDENT JOHNSON.—The London Star says the following letter was addressed by President Johnson to an American gentleman living in Berlin:

"EXECUTIVE OFFICE, WASHINGTON, D. C., July 20, 1865.—Mr. G. F. Comfort, No. 2 Franzosische strasse, Berlin, Prussia: My Dear Sir—I thank you for your letter of the 30th of June. I shall use my best endeavor to make my administration national, and not partisan. Perverting power or influence to partisan ends is only less criminal than attempting the nation's life. Our nation has come out of its four years' struggle for existence strengthened and purified, and with a capacity for a growth in the future unparalleled in history. I am pleased to hear from so intelligent an observer as yourself that the fact that our Government is a Government of the people—deriving all its power from the people—existing only for the people, is being appreciated in Europe. I trust our national success will prove the success of popular principles throughout the world. I am, sir, very truly yours,

ANDREW JOHNSON, "President of the United States."

NEWS BY TO-DAY'S MAIL.

Further particulars are furnished of the great fire in Stamboul, Turkey, on the 5th inst., heretofore briefly noticed. The number of buildings destroyed is estimated at twenty-eight hundred, and some accounts make it as high as twelve thousand. Nearly twenty-three thousand of the people were rendered homeless. It was supposed, though not positively ascertained, that many persons were killed.

The details of the terrible fire in Augusta, Me., on Sunday last, fully confirm the telegraphic reports. More than two-thirds of the business portion of the city was laid in ashes, and where, but a few hours before, was business, life, and activity, all is now ruin and desolation.

News from Porto Rico, W. I., to September 1, has been received. There was a violent earthquake at Porto Rico on the night of the 29th of August, consisting of a terrific oscillation from east to west, and subterranean rumblings. Houses were violently shaken, though none fell, and the people in terror rushed into the streets in their night clothes. The shock lasted forty-five seconds, but was not repeated. It was felt all over the island, but most forcibly in the capital.

It is the general impression that the Wirz trial will terminate to-day or to-morrow. Of the seventy witnesses summoned by the defence only thirty have arrived. The fund raised for more witnesses for Wirz does not exceed \$200.

Caleb Lyon has been officially recognized as Governor of the Territory of Idaho.

The Secretary of State was quite ill yesterday with diarrhoea, so much so, in fact, that he could not visit the State Department.

The President has directed a warrant to be made out for the pardon of Fayette McMullen, of Virginia.

At a session of the Grand International Division of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, at Rochester, N. Y., on the 6th inst., seventeen States and sixty-eight divisions were represented. The Grand Division numbers about fifteen thousand engineers. The design of the organization is represented to be to elevate the locomotive engineer socially. The rules require total abstinence from intoxicating drinks by the members.

Arthur Waring of Hayti, now in New York, says it is the general opinion of the people of Hayti that the present revolution will succeed, and that President Geffard will be overthrown. Mr. Waring represents the grievances of the revolutionists to be caused by the tendency of Geffard to hold the reins of Government during his lifetime.

The Mechanics at the Brooklyn Navy Yard have had their wages reduced, and have ceased work—but they will go to work again.

Secretary Stanton is in N. York. General Grant is in St. Louis.

The Radical papers in Massachusetts are highly delighted that "Senator Sumner and Gen. Butler oppose the reconstruction policy of President Johnson."

Joseph Bonaparte, eldest son of Lucien Bonaparte, died in Rome lately.

Sir Wm. R. Hamilton, professor of astronomy in the Dublin University, and Astronomer Royal of Ireland, died near Dublin on the 2d instant.

The Treasury Department will not issue at present any more compound interest notes of the denomination of \$100, which has been counterfeited, and will adopt measures to call in such as are in circulation.

In Norfolk last week, a negro woman was brought to the Police Court for stealing. Pending her examination, Syke Miller, white, discharged soldier of Third Pennsylvania artillery, appeared and claimed the woman as his wife, he having married her at Old Point. His appearance excited the merriment of the bystanders, but, nothing disconcerted, he offered his wife his arm and marched her off in triumph.

The politicians find it "up hill work" in Virginia, to stir the public mind to any great degree of interest, in electioneering matters. The people feel a reasonable degree of interest; and desire to be well represented—but there appears to be no excitement—no enthusiasm.

In response to an inquiry from the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General has given and published the following decision:

"Persons having resigned commissions in the naval service of the United States, and accepted employment in the rebel service, whether born in a foreign country, if they have been naturalized, or in the United States, are, if otherwise qualified, competent, according to the act of June 28, 1865, to be officers of vessels of the United States. If they were citizens before they engaged in rebellion, they did not lose their citizenship by becoming traitors. They become liable to suffer the pains and penalties which the law inflicts upon convicted traitors, but I am not aware that forfeiture of citizenship is one of those pains and penalties. Belonging as they do, according to statement in your letter to a certain class of traitors who have not been pardoned by the President, they are liable at any time to be tried, convicted and punished for their treason. Their conduct and association also impressed upon them the qualified character of enemies, but did not destroy their character as citizens, which by birth or otherwise they acquired."

General Slocum has resigned his position in the army.

GOLD.

NEW YORK, September 22.—Gold, 143½.

DIED.

On the night of the 21st instant, after a most painful illness, (but with a joyful hope of immortal rest,) Mrs. S. D. HUSSEY, in the fifty-third year of her age. Her friends are respectfully invited to attend her funeral from the residence of her son-in-law, Robert L. Wood, south end of Washington street, on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
ALEXANDRIA, VA.
September 22, 1865.

THE following named having been appointed watchmen, are hereby notified to meet at this office at six o'clock this day, to receive their instructions and qualify:

Levi J. O'Neil,	George Struder,
George A. Ogden,	Lewis Tiger,
Bushrod Gray,	Jessie Sherwood,
Francis Power,	John Diltz,
John Nightingale,	Larkin Patton,
J. S. Larew,	Henry Jefferson,
James Mack,	James Dane,
Emanuel Webb,	Thomas Berry,
	C. A. WARE, Mayor,
	W. D. Massey, Prest. City Council,
	Wm. M. Johnson, Clerk.

REMOVAL.

ARNOLD & FIELD,

Wholesale and Retail Dealers in CLOTHS, CASSIMERES AND VESTINGS, TAILORS' TRIMMINGS, AND GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHING GOODS.

Having disposed of our interest in the Merchant Tailoring business, at No. 83, King st., to O'Neal & Dwelly, and removed to No. 63, we propose to offer for your inspection a good line of the above goods. Our long experience in the manufacture of Cloths and Cassimeres, gives us a great advantage in selecting our stock, which we intend to sell at a small advance on cost.

We shall offer great inducements to Tailors, as we intend to keep good trimmings, and sell them cheap.

You will find in our Gent's Furnishing Department a great selection of goods in that line always on hand. Give us a call and you will never regret it, at No. 63, King street, next door to Miller's China Store.

sep 22—tf
KNOX & SMITH, ROBT. F. KNOX. BOYD M. SMITH.

AGRICULTURAL WAREHOUSE AND SEED STORE.

No. 6, south Union streets.

A full assortment of Agricultural Implements, Castings, Seeds, of all kinds, Guanos and Bone Dust, constantly on hand. sep 22—tf

CARRIAGES!! CARRIAGES!!

On hand a superior lot of good and fashionable Carriages, such as BAROUCHES,

BRETTS, ROCKAWAYS, BUGGIES, &c. Prices reasonable, and work warranted.

ROBERT H. GRAHAM, 409, Pa. av., near 4th st., and 374, D st., Washington, D. C.

Washington, sep 22—1m*
NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.—Freights through

from Lynchburg and Alexandria to Baltimore, via Orange and Alexandria and Baltimore Railroad, without change of cars.

On and after THURSDAY, 21st inst, freights will be received and forwarded to Baltimore by the Orange and Alexandria Railroad.

For through receipts and further information apply at Freight Agent's Office.

J. F. LATHAM, General Freight Agent.

WM. H. McCAFFERTY, General Superintendent.

sep 22—1m
THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING HAD

large experience in teaching in Winchester, and at other points in Virginia, purposes to open in this city, on the first of October next, a school for the instruction of a limited number of boys, in the Classics, Mathematics, and English branches.

Further particulars may be learned by application to him, at No. 58, corner of Washington and Queen streets, Alexandria.

sep 21—CHARLES L. POWELL.

CAME to the subscriber's house, near Taylor's Hill, Fairfax county, Virginia, last week, TWO HORSES. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property; pay charges, including price of this advertisement, and take them away. [sep 22 3tf] D. F. DULANY.

Auction Sales.

By Witmer & Washington, Auctioneers.

WILL BE SOLD ON SATURDAY, the 20th of September, at 10 o'clock, at the residence of Joseph McLean, No. 58, North Royal street, the HOUSEHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE of Joseph McLean, consisting in part of one Mahogany Sofa, 12 Mahogany Chairs, also, Cane Seat and Wooden Bottom Chairs, Mahogany Dining and Kitchen Tables, 1 large Cooking Stove, 1 Parlor Stove, 1 large Warbrobe, several Carpets but little worn, Brass Andirons, Shovels and Tongs, 1 Oil Cloth Carpet, several Brass Fenders, one or two Bedsteads, 1 Safe, 1 large Settee, Picture Frames, &c. [sep 22—dtd*] JOS. McLEAN.

By Witmer & Washington, Auctioneers.

VALUABLE LOT OF GROUND FOR SALE.—Will be sold, on SATURDAY, the 30th instant, in front of the Mayor's office at 10 o'clock a. m., that valuable LOT OF GROUND, situated on the west side of Water street, 72 feet south of Princess street, binding on Water street 34 feet 9½ inches, and 125 feet 5 inches. This lot lies immediately south of the Government fire engine house, and contiguous to the depot of the Loudoun & Hampshire R. R., and presents inducements for business men to build, as the property must increase in value. sep 22—ts

By Witmer & Washington, Auctioneers.

AUCTION SALES.—Will be sold at Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 30th day of September at 10 o'clock a. m., in front of the Mayor's office, two VALUABLE BUILDING LOTS.

The first fronting on Queen street, commencing 20 feet from the corner of Pitt, and running east on Queen 25 feet; thence north 61 feet, thence west 25 feet, thence south 64 feet to the beginning.

The second on Pitt, commencing at a point 64 feet from the corner of Queen and Pitt sts., and running north 15 feet on Pitt, thence east 60 feet, thence south 15 feet, thence west 61 feet to the beginning.

Terms.—One half cash; balance 60 days. sep 21—ts JOHN G. PEACHE.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

On MONDAY, 26th of October next, I shall sell, to the highest bidder, for cash, (to satisfy an execution in my hands against the Old Dominion steamboat Company,) the engine, boiler, works and wreck of the steamer Virginia.

The Virginia was burned in April, 1862, and lies in water about two feet in depth, within two hundred yards of the wharf at Fredericksburg.

The sale will take place at 12 M., on the wharf of the Baltimore Steamboat Company, J. S. G. TIMBERLAKE, Sergeant, Fredericksburg, Va.

BRAXTON & WALLACE, Attorneys for Plaintiffs. Fredericksburg, sep 20—dts

For Sale and Rent.

LAND FOR SALE.—I offer for sale a farm of TWO HUNDRED and FORTY ACRES, 3 miles south of Alexandria. The land lies beautifully, with a southern exposure, and is in fine condition, as is evidenced by the growing crops. The outside enclosure is in tolerable order. There is a young peach orchard in full bearing, and other choice fruits.

It may be divided into two farms, with abundance of wood and water on each, with building sites unsurpassed by any in Virginia for beauty of scenery. I know of no place offering greater inducements as a dairy and market farm or vineyard.

Terms accommodating. A credit of four years from the 1st of March, 1866, may be had upon \$4,000 of the purchase money, interest payable annually. For further information apply to the subscriber, No. 52, Washington street, Alexandria, Va. sep 21—tf W. S. KEMPER.

FOR SALE.—The HOUSE and LOT near the Theological Seminary, known as Clarens. The lot consists of twenty-six acres of land. For particulars apply to C. W. WATLES, 127, King street. sep 21—6t

FURNITURE FOR SALE.—The subscriber offers to sell, at private sale, the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, at present in the Frederick House, No. 19, south Union street. The furniture is in good condition, and will be sold at a bargain. To any one wishing to purchase this is a rare chance. Also, one Large Cooking Stove. [sep 21—1w*] JOS. THOMPSON.

FOR RENT.—A three-story BRICK WAREHOUSE, No. 26, cor. of Prince and Union streets. Apply to THOS. A. WATERS, sep 20—3t No. 80, Prince street.

FOR SALE.—A TWO-STORY BRICK HOUSE, on Gibson st., between Pitt and St. Asaph streets—with lot attached, 50 feet front and 75 feet deep. Terms moderate. Apply to S. D. HARPER, sep 20—1w* No. 90, King street.

VALUABLE PROPERTY FOR SALE.—One of the most valuable estates in the vicinity of Alexandria is now offered for sale, its location making it very desirable for a Dairy or Market farm. The Buildings are good, well supplied with good water, health unsurpassed, and the Land in a good state of cultivation. Enquire of GEO. W. HARRISON, sep 7—2w

FOR SALE.

TWO FINE BUILDING LOTS, near the corner of King and Water streets. The lots are forty feet each front, and one hundred and fifty feet deep. On one of the lots there is a large warehouse, at present occupied as a Coach Factory. Apply to HENRY COOK, my 20—tf 32, King Street.

P. P. ZIMMERMAN & BRO., 179, KING STREET.

Have on hand and will continue to keep a fine assortment of FURNITURE.

All persons who may be in want of Furniture will do well to call and examine our stock, as we are confident our prices and furniture will give satisfaction. Call at 179, King street, between Washington and Columbus sts. sep 21—1w